

ARKANSAS

WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



**Planting Cotton/Soybean/Rice and Fertilizing Pastures*

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RELEASED: May 30, 2000 3:00 p.m. - Temperatures and precipitation were above normal with heavy rain and severe weather during the latter part of the week. 5.0 days were suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 12 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus.

CROPS: Soybean, cotton and sorghum planting continued. Rice planting near completion. Cotton, corn, and sorghum were being cultivated. Wheat harvest had begun in southern counties. Soybeans and rice were being sprayed with herbicides to control weeds. Some cotton fields were being sprayed for thrips. Armyworms in some corn fields also required spraying. Due to rain last week, some cotton and soybean will be re-planted. Other activities included harvesting hay, preparing harvest equipment for wheat, and fertilizing and liming pastures and applying weed control in pastures.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock were in good condition. Cattle were being vaccinated and wormed.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %					Condition % ¹				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM					0	2	28	66	4
Planted	91	88	90	92					
Emerged	86	81	85	83					
COTTON					1	6	30	60	3
Planted	94	83	97	97					
Emerged	80	62	82	82					
SOYBEANS					0	2	27	61	10
Planted	48	35	46	45					
Emerged	32	19	28	29					
RICE					1	3	25	61	10
Planted	95	91	97	96					
Emerged	86	77	85	85					
CORN					0	2	19	68	11
Emerged ²	100	99	91	96					
WHEAT					2	9	31	46	12
ALFALFA					1	1	29	60	9
OTH. HAY					2	4	26	51	17
PASTURE					1	3	23	58	15

1/Many reports are received on Friday and may not reflect conditional changes due to weekend weather.

2/Corn emerged progress is a 2-year average instead of a 5-year average.

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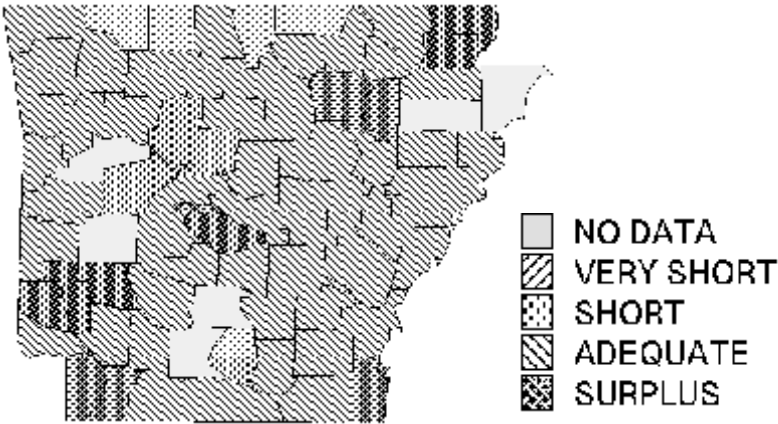
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

May 28, 2000. Temperatures and rainfall were above normal across much of the state during the week. Heavy rain and severe weather occurred during the latter part of the week. The rain was primarily located in north and central Arkansas with some locations in the south reporting no rainfall. The high temperature of 95^o was reported at several areas, and the low of 52^o was reported at Fayetteville. The rainfall ranged from 0.00 inch at El Dorado and Rohwer to 4.16 inches at Jonesboro.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING MAY 28, 2000

DISTRICT AND STATION	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL				
	HIGH	LOW	DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL	WEEK ENDING MAY 28	CURRENT MAY ACCUM.	MAY NORMAL	JAN-APR	
							2000	NORMAL
1 Fayetteville	91	52	5	2.19	5.57	5.17	8.12	12.13
Harrison	93	56	6	2.08	3.20	5.04	8.80	13.00
2 Calico Rock	95	56	5	3.66	6.55	4.79	10.89	13.96
Evening Shade				na	0.00	4.74	0.00	15.43
Gilbert	95	54	5	3.69	7.66	5.21	9.61	13.24
Greers Ferry	93	58	4	1.97	5.36	5.28	13.42	17.00
Mountain Home	94	54	2	3.08	4.49	4.90	10.93	13.70
3 Batesville	93	58	3	1.57	4.98	4.74	11.76	16.08
Black Rock				na	0.00	4.97	0.00	16.08
Georgetown				na	0.00	5.22	0.00	18.36
Jonesboro	93	54	2	4.16	7.16	4.92	11.24	18.08
Keiser	93	61	5	2.11	5.65	4.93	14.28	18.92
Newport	91	55	2	1.41	4.25	5.22	14.14	17.40
4 Booneville	95	60	na	0.57	4.22	na	7.82	na
Clarksville	95	60	3	2.43	4.12	5.00	7.79	14.72
Dardanelle	94	60	4	1.80	3.88	5.10	10.52	15.52
Ft. Smith	95	61	5	0.95	3.39	5.24	7.81	12.42
Mena	89	60	5	0.39	5.20	5.67	12.27	17.61
Ozark	95	58	3	2.65	5.31	4.90	9.32	13.89
5 Hot Springs	91	62	3	2.11	8.09	6.43	11.67	19.03
N Little Rock	92	60	5	1.91	5.14	5.24	12.24	16.79
6 Augusta				na	0.00	5.17	0.00	17.61
Marianna	89	60	3	0.10	4.13	5.24	15.58	19.32
Stuttgart	91	65	7	0.31	8.71	4.70	12.61	18.43
7 Hope	90	60	5	0.05	5.02	5.40	11.76	17.80
8 Camden	91	60	6	0.02	8.24	4.74	15.56	18.33
El Dorado	93	62	7	0.00	5.93	4.79	18.51	18.96
9 Arkansas City				na	0.00	5.04	0.00	20.81
Eudora	93	63	5	0.20	3.47	4.94	27.43	21.19
Pine Bluff	91	61	3	0.23	7.12	5.63	11.21	19.09
Rohwer	93	63	6	0.00	9.60	4.90	23.07	20.49

na = data not available

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